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When Abram Hatch was made president of Wasatch Stake in 1877, Gustaf was ordained to act as a high councilman, a position he held until President Hatch was released, and then he was set apart by Apostle Francis Lyman to act as bishop of Scandinavians. Many persons from Sweden and Denmark had moved into the valley. He was to look after their wants and amusements and hold Swedish gospel meetings every Sunday. By now he could speak English quite well.

Margaret Muir was president of Relief Society and she gave Gustaf permission to hold these meetings and entertainments in their meeting house, which had two rooms, one upstairs and one down. Louise was treasurer of the East Ward Relief Society at this time. She did all the janitor work with the help of some young people when they cleaned the room for dances. Eda said: "My parents were great dancers in their native land, so they had not been here long before Henry Walker started a dancing school, which they attended and learned all the English dances."

Father had the first Christmas tree in Heber. I think Nels Anderson brought the tree down from the canyon and put it in the Relief Society hall. I went to Joseph Hatch, who was the head clerk in Hatch's store, and asked him if he could get me some colored paper for the tree. He also gave me some stick candy to put on the tree. I then went to President Hatch, as I felt at home there, and he gave me some nice red apples from his farm at Lehi. Mother and I made all the candles for the tree. Some of my girl friends and I made paper baskets and other ornaments until late at night, which the men and boys put on the tree. After Christmas all these decorations were stored away for another year and the candy and apples were given to the children.

Gustaf was one of the men who stood guard during the Black Hawk War under Captain Thomas Todd. He died on December 14, 1910. Louise died on December 25, 1907.

## OLA AND MARNA JOHNSON



Ola Johnson was born January 6, 1841, and died September 27, 1920.

Marna Johnson was born February 8, 1837, and died September 9, 1910.

They came from Sweden on the last sailing vessel, arriving in Utah in 1868 and living in the old fort in Peoa. Later they moved to Heber City.

Mr. Johnson was a farmer and owned his own business. He bought butter and eggs and other farm products, taking them to Park City to sell. They were the parents of seven children. Nels N. and A. O. were flour millers, owning their own business. John Johnson was a cattle man; Amanda was a dressmaker; Anna helped her until her marriage to J. A. Howell; Emma married George Durnell, who served two terms as a sheriff of Wasatch County. Amanda married John Clift. Nels married Elizabeth Moore. After her death he married Mary Orgil. A. O. married Millie Warr.

## ALICE RYAN JONES

Alice Ryan Jones was born April 9, 1863, at Brooklyn, New York. Her parents were William Ryan, Sr., and Janet Cockran. They were baptized and came to Utah in 1863, living at Heber and Hoytsville.

She married Hyrum Jones on July 2, 1888. He was the son of Elisha Jones and Margret Talbot Jones. They went to Huntington, Utah, to make their home, where he engaged in business with his brother. They were the parents of two girls and five boys.

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## JOHN JORDAN

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Children: Jacob Henry, John Phillips (Julia Smith).

(2) He married Charlott Malinda Colvin August 16, 1847, who was born November 20, 1807. She died in February, 1851.

(3) He married Eliza Humphreys Robins, daughter of Richard Humphreys and Esther.

Children: Charlott Malinda, Elizabeth Synthis (William Crowford) and Joseph Hyrum (Elizabeth M. Givens).

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Children: Eliza Dunlap, Mary Jane, Jon James, George B., and Allen S.

John Jordan came to Utah in 1852, with an independent company.

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He was a veteran of the Walker and Black Hawk War. He also took part in the Echo Canyon trouble. A High Priest, he was first counselor to John M. Murdock and president of the High Priests' Quorum.

## JAMES LAIRD

James Laird, son of Edward and Sarah Barr Laird, was born December 25, 1825, at Bonney, before County Antrim, Ireland, and died September, 1884, at Salt Lake City, Utah.

He married Mary Rennie on August 20, 1847, in Scotland. She was the daughter of Hugh Rennie and Elizabeth Crealman, and was born July 3, 1826, at Glenhead Parish, Killpatrick, Scotland, and died October 20, 1883, in Salt Lake City, Utah.

In 1840, at about the age of 15, he ran away from school and home and joined the navy. After three or four years he became homesick and obtained a furlough. At home he was received with open arms by his mother, but the year he left home his father had passed away, so he decided to stay home and care for his mother.

In the fall he decided to go to the coal mines in Scotland to work, where he met Michael Rennie, who had a strong testimony of the gospel. He introduced Mormonism and his sister Mary to James. Mary became his wife in 1847, being married by Michael Rennie. He went home to Ireland to share the gospel message with his mother, but the family were all against it. He returned to Scotland and the Rennie family. While Mary was studying the gospel she asked for a sign to know if the gospel was true. Then at a testimony meeting she was given the privilege of speaking in tongues. She never doubted after that.

Two sons, Joseph Smith Laird and Edward Laird, were both born in Scotland. James was called on a mission 1853, traveling without purse or script. Mary and their sons returned to the home of her parents.

About this time, Michael died. His last testimony was: "I know Joseph was a true Prophet of God."

The ship "Thornton," which sailed from Liverpool, England, in 1856, arrived in New York on April 14, 1856. Among its passengers were James Laird, his wife and three children. They started their eventful trip

with the Captain Willie company on August 20, 1856. One of James' tasks was to assist in burying the dead and to be a helper to Captain Willie.

Mary had in her luggage three special articles she wanted brought to Utah. A set of baby clothes, one green dress and a man's suit of clothes. Before they reached Salt Lake City the baby clothes were traded for a quart of sugar. Each day a little was added to some water and fed to the baby after it was weaned. Some years later the green silk dress was made into Temple aprons they used when they received their endowments. The suit of clothes was given to a man going on a mission for the Church.

The Willie company arrived in Salt Lake on November 9, 1856, and was sent to the farm of Leonard W. Hardy in the mouth of Parleys Canyon. The next summer of 1857 he moved his family to Spanish Fork and in 1859 they came to Heber. Here they spent the first winter with eighteen other families.

While in Heber a baby boy was born in December, 1861, and died in 1862 of diphtheria.

While living in Heber they purchased property in Parleys Canyon and later moved there and operated a half-way station for people to rest and tend their teams. James and his son also hauled freight and wood from Park City to Salt Lake.

On November 24, 1868, James married Frances Churchill, a girl who had been working for them. Later he was divorced.

Diphtheria again came into the family, taking the lives of three children in a month: Sophia, October 6, 1871, at the age of three; Harriet, October 19, 1871, age seven years; and Mary, November 2, 1871, age 12.

The family moved to Goshen for a time, where a son was born. He was the tenth and last child.

Again they moved back to their canyon home, and there the dreaded disease of diphtheria visited them again, and in February of 1878 took the life of Sarah Jane, eight years old. At this time Mary Laird's health broke and she developed neuralgia of the heart.

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